

CLAIMS

1. An apparatus for indicating a direction of current at a desired depth in a body of water, said apparatus characterised by:
a floating means adapted to float on a surface of said body of water; and
5 a water capturing means in connection with said floating means, said water capturing means adapted to be submerged to said desired depth beneath the surface of water for capturing moving water at that depth and thereby moving said floating means in the direction of said moving water.
- 10 2. An apparatus as in claim 1 wherein the length of said connection between the floating means and water capturing means is adjustable to allow for the capture of water at depths according to said length.
- 15 3. An apparatus as in claims 1 or 2 wherein said water capturing means is of a weight heavy enough to remain submerged beneath the surface of water, but light enough such that said floating means connected thereto remains substantially above the surface of water.
4. An apparatus as in claim 3 wherein said water capturing means is configured such that when a flow of water sweeps past it, it moves into a position where a face of the water capturing means becomes generally perpendicular to the flow of water thereby thrusting said water capturing means in the direction of flow.
- 20 5. An apparatus as in any one of claims 1-4 wherein said connection between the water capturing means and floating means is a tethered connection.
6. An apparatus as in claim 5 wherein said tethered connection is a rope.
7. An apparatus as in any one of claims 1-5 wherein said face of the water capturing means is positioned at its base, said water capturing means further including a
25 longitudinal portion extending perpendicularly outwardly from said face and guiding said flowing water thereagainst.
8. An apparatus as in claim 7 wherein the face of said water capturing means is a substantially square base plate and said longitudinal portion comprises two substantially rectangular plates joined to one another along their central longitudinal
30 axes thereby forming four perpendicularly disposed fins, each of said rectangular plates being aligned along a diagonal axis of said square base plate.

9. An apparatus as in claim 7 wherein the face of said water capturing means is a substantially triangular base plate and said longitudinal portion comprises three fins angularly disposed about a central point of said base plate, each of said fins being directed toward each apex of said triangular base member.
- 5 10. An apparatus as in claim 7 wherein the face of said water capturing means is the inner surface of a conical member including open ends, and said longitudinal portion comprises two plates joined along the central longitudinal axis of the conical member and housed perpendicularly relative to one another within said conical member.
- 10 11. An apparatus as in any one of the above claims wherein said water capturing means is constructed of waterproof material such as aluminium.
12. An apparatus as in any one of the above claims wherein said apparatus is adapted for use from a boat whereby said floating means is secured to said boat in a second tethered connection.
- 15 13. An apparatus as in claim 12 wherein said second tethered connection is in the form of a string such as monofilament fishing line.
14. An apparatus as in any one of the above claims wherein said floating means is in the form of a fishing float having a generally conical shape.
15. An apparatus for indicating to a person a direction of water current at a desired depth of water, said apparatus characterised by:
- 20 a floating indicator that is visible to said person; and
a weighted sail in connection with said floating indicator through a tether of a length corresponding with said desired depth, said sail configured to be moved by the force of the water current in the direction of the water current to thereby also move the floating indicator in the direction of the water current, despite the direction of water current generally above or below said desired depth.
- 25 16. A berley trail indication apparatus for indicating to a fisherman a direction in which a berley trail is moving when commenced at a pre-determined depth of water, said berley trail indication apparatus characterised by:
- 30 a floating indicator that is visible to the fisherman;
a berley source adapted to be submerged in the water to the pre-determined depth;
a weighted sail in connection with said floating indicator through a tether of a length slightly greater than said pre-determined depth, said weighted sail configured to be

moved by the force of the water current in the direction of the water current to thereby also move the floating indicator in the same direction, this indicating to the fisherman the general direction in which the berley trail is moving at that depth.

- 5 17. A berley trail indication apparatus as in claim 16 wherein the weighted sail is submerged a depth of approximately 2 metres greater than the depth of the berley source.